

**Life Group Discussion Questions** 

Sermon: The Engravings

Date: 8-27-17

- What sort of experiences have you had with "the 10 Commandments"? Were you taught them in Sunday school? Have you heard many sermons on them? What comes to mind when you think about the 10 Commandments?
- Most of us tend to think of ourselves as good, moral people who more or less obey the 10 Commandments. How did the sermon's presentation of the 1<sup>st</sup> commandment challenge you ("you shall have no other gods before me")? What sort of things are easy for your mind to think about when you have a free moment?
- What about the last commandment when you pause to consider "covetousness," in what ways do you realize you do this? (Leader's note: It can be helpful to create a safer atmosphere for sharing by pointing out that envy/coveting is something we all do.)
- In what ways does Jesus' intensification of the law challenge you? What are some external things you do a good job at it (murder, false testimony, adultery, etc.) yet Jesus' assessment reveals you actually struggle with the same heart issue (disdain, deception, lust)?
- It's Jesus' engraving of us on Himself that the Holy Spirit uses to engrave Him—His covenants, His standards, His heart—on/in us. Pray that each would behold, really, Christ's engraving in such a way as would cause you to live in the fullness of the new covenant.